

**EXPRESS MAIL LABEL NO. EL746146598US**

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR VARIABLE DENSITY SCROLL AREA**

**ABSTRACT**

5 A method and system to provide a user additional positional context for the  
information they are browsing and allows for rapid browsing through large data sets  
thereby providing a more usable interface. Two embodiments are described in the  
following sections. In the first, the 2-D scroll area is a continuous area. In this continuous  
embodiment the user can change the scroll resolution on a continuous scale. The second  
embodiment uses a set of discrete vertical scrolling bars. These scrolling bars work in  
10 concert to fine tune the scrolling access to the data.

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